

REMARKS

Claims 1-10 were pending. Claims 1, 4-7, and 10 were rejected. Claims 2, 3, 8, and 9 were objected to. Claims 1, 3, 5, and 7 are amended. Claims 2, and 8-10 are canceled. Claims 1, and 3-7 are currently pending.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

Claims 1, 4-7, and 10 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 7,197,161 issued to Zhigang FAN.

Allowable subject matter

The examiner objected to claims 2-3, 8-9 for being dependent upon a rejected base claim. The examiner indicated that these claims would be allowable if written in independent form. The applicant has taken the examiner's advice and has amended the claims to present the subject matter that the examiner indicated would be allowable in independent form.

Amendment

Claim 1 has been amended to substantially incorporate the features recited in claim 2, now canceled. Claim 1 is allowable at least because it contains the allowable subject matter, as indicated by the examiner.

Claim 3 has been amended to change its dependence from claim 2 to claim 1. Claims 5 and 7 have been amended to substantially incorporate the features recited in claim 2. Claims 5-7 are allowable for substantially the same reason as claim 1.

Claims 3, 4 and 6 are allowable at least because they are dependent upon allowable base claims.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicants respectfully request favorable reconsideration of the present application.

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